has been found. A NEW scientific instrument is the "pulviemeter," which registers the quantity of rain falling within a certain period, and the duration and the hour of

Ir has been discovered that a minute lungus will cause fermentation in a solution of glucose, while it does not affect that of cane sugar. Advantage has been taken of this fact to separate cane sugar from molasses, the glucose undergoing fermentation, and thus allowing the cane sugar to crystalize out.

A PAPER said to be proof against fire and water is prepaid in this way. After a mixture of two-thirds ordinary paper from his chimney pretty steady, and they pulp and one-third asbestos has been knowed quartz was grinding and the thoroughly incorporated, it is steeped in a solution of common salt and alum. It is then made into paper, which is finally

durable, has had a new and practicable dealt fair, and they respected him, application. It has been employed in Well, children, the old man banked a the study of the solar eruptions and the | heap o' quartz. He had a big ranch, effect of these great convulsions in the and the sheep on it was as thick as

ized loadstone ore for sores, and a man hard of hearing was, in one case, recom-

Ma. C. J. KINTNER, of the United States Patent Office, believed that, judging from what has already been done in various applications of electricity, within the next decade we shall find our large telegraphic corporations operating their elevators, supplying motive power, heat, and light throughout their buildings, and electricity for their lines from one common source of power.

The researches of Professor Onneke indicate that the change of volume of solid and liquid bodies under electrical influence is not due to heat, for the change produced in the volume of fatty oils is one of contraction. The same in vestigator has shown that electricity diminishes the elasticity of flint and German glass, which is also said to be the case with India rubber, while the clasticity of mica and gutta percha is in-

A DAIRYING company of London have a laboratory at which samples of milk received from farmers are subjected to chemical analysis. Prizes have been offered by the company, which are to be given those farmers whose milk supply stands highest in quality during a stated eriod of time. The samples of milk examined by the company's analyst, whose analyses and reports will decide the competition for the prizes. It is expected that much valuable information respecting methods for producing the richest possible milk will be produced in this way.

Ir elastic gum is warmed, then ex-panded and wound in a spiral upon a glass tube or wire, and cooled for a short time in a cooling mixture, it shows no tendency to contract; but when it is submiffed to hot water it returns quickly to its original length. The phenomenon can also be made to appear without the ise of the cooling mixture. If one holds heated gum a second in an expanded condition it shows no disposition to return to its original length, but if one im-merses it in hot water it contracts to one-fourth or one-lifth of its original length. Maxwell has found that similar phenomena are produced in gutta percha.

For the purpose of determining the capacity of a horse to undergo the privations incident to a state of siege, a series of experiments have been made in Paris. The results show: That a horse may hold out for iwenty-five days without any solid nourishment, provided it is supplied with sufficient good drinking water; that horse can subsist on barley five days vithout water; and, thirdly, that if a lorse is well fed for ten days, but insufficiently supplied with water throughout this period, it will not outlive the eleventh day. A horse which had received no solid nourishment for twelve days was nevertheless in a condition to draw a load | the ti-ra-lu and hooked out from under

How an Intense Desire Was Gratified When we drove down into Loveland, re saw our train standing at the station. velled and the Professor shouted, and

"Let him go!" I howled.
"Pull out!" relled the Professor.
"Whoop! whoop!" we wailed in chorus
First thing you know, we came to a long iron bridge, with a placard painted on it. Something, I suppose, about "walking your horses" and "five dollars fine," but I didn't read it, because I knew that a walk across the bridge would lose me the train

"Get out o'this!" I shricked to the horse, and then I said to the Professor. "What was the sign on the bridge?" "Don't know," he said; "can't read,

pull out; get up!"
"Whoa! Hi long! Jump it, St. Julian!" the chorus howled, and away we went thundering across the bridge, and the watching conductor just waited for us and we were saved. Not a second to

"Now," I said as the train started, "if any body says anything about driving over that bridge ____" "You drove," said the Professor.
"I did, I did," I assented, "I confess udgment and will beat the Supervisors

on execution. Good-by.' I have always had an intense desire to bridges, and I am glad I got my work in on Loveland. But they didn't care. It was the first time, so it didn't count, and I know the Lovelanders didn't want me to miss the train. If they will call it even, I will send the Mayor a copy of the Hawkeye,—Burdett's Letter to Burlington Hawkeye.

GILHOOLY, who was in a restaurant freezing over a cup of coffee, spoke up and said to the waiter: "Look here! If you can't put fire in the stove you might keep the stove-door closed. There is an awful cold draft coming out of it." -Galveston News.

An old farmer in Tennessee had a

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HOW MAUD S. WAS SAVED.

The superintendent of a Sunday-school out in the Black Hills happened to be visiting some friends in Brooklyn, and, on invitation, attended the school service of one of the popular Methodist churches. Invited to address the children, he declined at first, but finally consented, and to illustrate the welcome of the sinner to repentance related the following anec-

"I recken most o' you young ones have hearn'about thet old feller in Egypt, which was well fixed fer kids. The old man was heeled clear to his neck, and thar wasn't a dip nor spur he wasn't onto, and you bet he had his squar dose o' sheers in every pay dirt claim on the divide. He was a good old man, straight as a rifle bar'l, and without knot, rot, or that she will trot as fast as she wants to woodpecker hole from root to crow's nest. For a long time he'd been full owner o' an eighty stamp will, and tray elers in them parts seen the smoke rising to learn the proclivities of their children knowed quartz was grinding and the dust was good. Thar warn't no funny business about the old man. Heknowed prime wash from salt by the color, and warn't long afore the boys quit steal- of a noble-born gentlewoman. She is ing his mules and set right down to the ambitious to the degree of rashness, and THE new invention, the photophone, a modification of the telephone with silenium, by means of which light is made knowed he'd straddle any blind, but he

sun has been perceived andibly by the miners' tents. Thar was antelope, and ear of the observer. A MEDICAL missionary has learned the black-tail deer till you couldn't rest. curious fact that Mongol dectors are not | And thar was lots of wheat and a big cutirely unacquainted with the proper. shack, built o' logs, with a parlor in one ties of galvanism. It is said that they end. Now, I tell you, that thar old man are in the habit of prescribing pulver- was fixed up to the trap, and don't you forget nothing. But one o' his sons was kind o' restless. He wanted for to prosmended to put a piece of loadstone into each ear and chew a piece of iron in his the racket straight from the hip; told him not to make a dog-gone fool of himself. Stay where he was. Thar was more money in a stamp-mill than there was in mines, and he advised the kid to locate right thar. Why, children, thet thar old man knew from the fust sour

thet the short didn't have no show, even for tailings, and what's tailings, even if he played to win, to a squar divide on the regular wash?" "But the kid wanted long grass, and and so the old man started him, and gave him his blessing, and told him for to allet a man get his elbow behind his kidney on him, and so the boy got away. Fixed straight to his hair. All the dust he wanted. Best advice a boy ever got, What do you think he did? He went broke. I never knew whether he got into a game whar they played straights, or whether some fellow held over him on a square deal, but he went clear to the

bottom o' his sock and struck bedrock. Clean up dead gone. The yield didn't pan a cent to the ton. Gulch dried up. Dips crossed his angles. Blind leads* fetched the only vein he had, except one, but that he didn't know of He was digging for yellow in 1 couldn't see the ch nev enough to b was driving wharthar was while all the sky was pouring out the best color ever panned, and he couldn't

get onto it. Wall, thar was only one thing to do. Prospecting was no use. So he went down on a ranch and told the ranchmen he'd keep the coyotes off the pigs. You know what an ornery derned thing a pig is. You've got to kill him and smoke him and throw him away before you can eat him, and yet that thar young man hived right down with them pigs and drawed when it was his turn. and if he got a fair hand o' shucks he was goose on his luck. Bimeby the racket got too still for him, and he kicked. He made up his mind that he would flock back to the mill and strike the old man for another stake. Did the old man go back on him? Well, not for coin? Did he say he wasn't hiring any new hands, but the kid might get onto work at Hamilton's Hollow? I reckon not. Says he, 'Put it here, pard,' and he just fell clean over him. Thet's style. Thet's trade from the origin. Thet ain't all. Thet thar old man fetched out a buckskin trowsers, and an antelope shirt, and some buffalo boots and a camp hat, and drawed the young feller right in. Eh? How's that? Gitting you now, am I? Begin to hook on to my racket? Know who the old man was? Yes, you bet your life, and for you to come to Him and be fitted out and started in the stamp-mill again like you never hopped of six hundred pounds on the twelfth day of its fast. the family umbrella. Let up and be saved. For I tell you children, the lower level gets awful hot, sometimes, and if you can do placer work with the sky right around you keep away from

the astonished horse jumped away as though he was going to Gallipolis himme that we sing in our Sunday-school, "I'd like to have you sing a hymn for 'Baby Mine;' do you know it?" And to the astonishment of the local superintendent they did know it, and he couldn't stop it.

Rich People of the Olden Times. That we have some very rich people in this country there is no doubt, but where are they, asks the Ciacinnati Star. as compared with the Roman aristocrats? Vanderbilt may be able to give his check for \$50,000,000, but when Cyrus returned from the conquest of Asia he was rated at \$500,000,000. Mrs. Astor may give an entertainment at the expense of \$25,-000, and Mrs. Mackay may give dinner parties that cost \$50,000, but a festival given by Ptolemy Philadelphus cost \$2,-239,000. Alexander's daily meal, frugal as it was, cost \$1,700; and money was of so little account to Claudius that he once swallowed a pearl that was worth \$40,000. James Gordon Bennett has been known to give many thousands of dellars to people for whom he had acquired a fancy, but according to Tacitus, more than \$97,000,000 was given away in a similar manner by Nero. Queens of fashion in New York and San Francisco have appeared at balls wearing jewels estimated to have cost \$200,000, which pales into insignificance when compared with the are born to understand. - Thomas Bow alleged fact that Lollia Taulina wore jewels valued at \$1,662,500, and that when she wore these it was only on the the occasion of a plain citizen's supper. Over \$50,000 was spent in providing a Philadelphia, and as is often the case who left directions how the money should overbearing in manner. Among his be spent, but the obsequies of Hephaes- office patients one morning was a gentletion cost \$1,500,000. Americans have man who, after occupying exactly five died and left millions to their sons who minutes of the great man's time, took a have squandered it all in a score of years, | \$10 note from his pocket, and inquired dered, to the last penny, in less than one year. The late lamented Sothern is stack of hay standing close to the river.

The river overflowed and the hay stack
went down stream on an event stack

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Showing the Power of Uniform Mindness Counsellor Samuel T. Harris, of Cin-

"I saw her make the first trial she ever had. Within three weeks after she was harnessed, in her three-year-old wagon. Bair's face was sunshine. He every time I call upon the baby, al-

She is willful, high-tempered, and imperious. She resists brute force with a violent resentment that cannot be conquered. She yields to the power of following suggestions in the order given kindness with the affectionate sensibility | below intelligent far beyond her years and opportunities.

No other trainer, within my knowland under all circumstances, seems t on is by the unfailing power of consid-

rate kindness. the October trotting, meeting in the terious points. This boy picked up the presence of a special party of New York | saw and carefully examined it. In the semen. She arched her back in determined disobedience, and braced her | the other three boys, he was enabled to lower jaw against her neck as a purchase to withstand any attempt to control her, and, with a willful frenzy of mad temper, she plunged and broke and jumped and tossed her head in defiance of all obedience. This was not a new revelation to rious spectators. There sat Mr. George rived for action. Alley, and Mr. Alley Bonner, with their New York party, watches in hand, evidently disappointed at this humiliating ways deal level with the table and never | performance. Bair blushed with crimup in his subsequent treatment, saved the woodshed for the night, -Detroit Mand S. from ruin and made her the index trotter of the year just passed. He quietly held her, coaxing her to desist, never scolding, or jerking, or striking her, till she reached her stable. Even to the door her eyes flamed with open, belilion. There she was unharnessed, nid gentle caresses, her shoes were pulled off, and she was kindly led into

> of recreation would bring forgetfulness of disastrons contests with her late Eastern driver for the mastery. At last the track was drying up, the spring rains were over and gone, and Mand S. was quietly led upon the course, Instantly the old fury returned. She showed defiance to the tips of her great ears. But the same gentle touch and kindly voice reassured her confidence, and she became as tractable as a little child. How wonderful is the power of

winter quarters, in the hope that months

never-failing kindness! She was not driven at once upon the track, but led four or five miles, and then quietly harnessed amid caresses.

If she began to show the least dispo sition to renew her unfortifinate battles she was not resisted, for she would certainly have gained the mastery, but she was quietly walked to the stable, and put gently away till the next day, when she was led ten miles before being harnessed to the sulky. This may seem to be too much jogging, but she required a vast amount of judicious work. Thus her anger and fears were dispelled; thus her confidence in her driver became absolute, and thus her great powers of speed were made perfectly practical. To-day any one who can hold steadily the reins without pulling can drive her with the great-

Instinct of Insects and Birds. Let us examine the marvelous instinct of the solitary wasp in providing for the worm that will issue from her egg after her own death. She brings grubs—food that, as a wasp, she never tasted-and deposits them over the egg, ready for of this perplexing description. Look at joined his companion. the instinctive character of bees in their far-sighted provisions for the future. Witness the caterpillar, how at the proper time it selects a suitable situation and spins for itself a silken cocoon, Marvelous instincts are met with outside of the insect world; every little bird is its own skillful accouchcur. We once observed the self-delivery of the chicken. The prison wall is not burst in pieces by struggles. By a regular series of strokes the shell is cut in two-chipped round in a perfect circle some distance from the large end. The bird has a special instrument for this work-a hard, sharp horn on the top of the upper mandible, which, being required for no other purpose, dis appears in a few days. Obviously each individual bird no more acquires the art of breaking its way out than it furnishes itself with the little pick-hammer used in the operation; and it is quite clear that a bird could have never escaped from the egg without this instinct. How were eggs hatched before birds had acquired -may have never heard-but which they

ditch in Troy Times. The Quack Outwitted.

Dr. X. is an eminent physician of

Sawing Wood.

No one ever hears a boy complain about the back-breaking, soul-killing hardships of wood-sawing. All such sinuati, an enthusiastic writer on horse | talk is confined to adults, and it has no matters, in an interesting article in Wat- | real foundation. There is only one way lace's Monthly, refers to Maud S, in this to saw wood and take comfort at the same time, and every boy has that way. Yesterday afternoon half a cord of fourfoot wood was flung down at the gate of a house on Second street, and the wagon form, she made a full mile in 3:20 to had only departed when a boy fifteen years old appeared with a bucksaw in then and there predicted for her a won-derful future. "Because," said he, purpose to go through that wood-pile purpose to go through that wood-pile like chain-lightning, but it took him exhough so green and only three years actly seven minutes to discover that he old, she steals away from me so easily had left the saw-buck in the wood-shed,

when she gets age and strength."

Bair has studied her temperament more assistant most fathers set to learn the proclivities of their children.

and five minutes more to bring it out.

Some boys would have dropped the saw-back wherever it happened and to be saw-back where happened and to be saw-back wherever it happened and water. By this time he had the presence of three other boys to cheer him on to victory. These three boys made the "I'd hire a masheen."

"I'd run away and fight Injuns." "I'd let the old man do it." But the hero went right ahead with is work. In twenty minutes after his dge, either living or dead, at all times, lirst move he had a stick of wood on the saw-buck. He turned it over four times realize that the best method of exercis- before it settled down to his satisfaction, ig mind over matter in the horse crea- and then he picked up the saw. A bucksaw is a simple yet ingenious piece of machinery. Men who were sawing wood When Mr. Vanderbilt sent her back | by the day have been known to stand o her old trainer, at Chester Park, she and gaze at the saw for an hour at a was giving a public exhibition during | time without being able to solve its mys-

> 1. That the teeth were all there. That the frame-work was of beech 3. That it was in perfect order, as far

course of seven minutes, with the aid of

as a boy could judge. When these discoveries had been made all horsemen who had known her in her a discussion arose as to whether a boy colthood. She was rank as a raging fire. | could saw faster by sawing left-handed She plumged and jumped with mad fury. The vote on this question was carried in The grand stand was well filled with cu- the negative, and now the moment ar-

The boy spit on his hands, He removed his cost.

his frenzied favorite. But he showed no exhibition of temper. He was as patient and undisturbed as the sphinx. He next corner run out at a passing goat. The goat rushed into a girl was heard screaming. The saw fell to the ground, the saw-back was up-set, and the boy went tearing that is, to coax and bribe their horses with sweetmeats in the stable, and on the slightest provocations undo all this.

He had his knee on the stick and the saw him he was eating a criss out of the gutter. She was only a criss out of the gutter. She was only a criss out of the gutter. She was only a dillettante interest in literature outside of thave been dead. He held the bag of money tight, and the thief was pumeling the cannot be at the saw has a passing goat. The goat rushed into a voice trembling with emotion, as "Ozarling, if we were seagulls would thave been dead. He held the bag of money tight, and the thief was pumeling the cannot be at the college, and, excepting Mr. Long-poor old woman who kept a little shop poor old woman who kept a little shop in the college, and, excepting Mr. Long-fill was been dead. He held the bag of money tight, and the thief was pumeling little saw hin he as of the college, and, excepting Mr. Long-fill was been dead. He held the bag of money tight, and the thief was passing goat. The goat rushed into a voice trembling with emotion of its or saw him he as the poor old woman who kept a little shop of the college, and, excepting Mr. Long-fill w the slightest provocations undo all this effect by punishing them unmercifully in public. His conduct that day, followed turned to carry the saw and buck into speat again, he said:

> An Unsympathetic Crowd. An excited man rushed into a drug

store and exclaimed: "Oh my! I'm rained! Give me ten me the whisky. He fell against the counter. His eves

rolled back and his tongue hung out.

"What ails you, man?" He drew "I'd just as soon. What was that you back his tongue, said "snake bit," and wanted me for?" shot it out again. Whisky, snake bite." "How did you get snake bit?" asked a

physician, taking hold of the man's hand and feeling his pulse. The tongue went | a job all day. I'm going to sleep in an snake' came out. Where did it bite you?

"Right here," he replied, exhibiting even if it is divty."
a small black hole on the back of his "I'll give you "Where did you get the snake?"

"Museum. Gimmy some whisky." "This hole was made by a lead pen-Lead pencil?" said the victim, con

temptuously; "made by the pizen fang then. If I sweep up first I'll feel better, of a copperhead. "Thought it was a rattlesnake?" "Didn't say it was a rattlesnake. Oh. I'm dying! Dying in a civilized land.

Dying within forty miles of home. To think that I have traveled all over the snake countries, and then to come back | was Dick; he was twelve years old, and and be killed by a common black snake. his father, whom he had never seen, was "Thought it was a coppenhead?" "Now, here," said the man, untangling his eyes and stiffening himself, "it don't but the boy seemed good. The next make any difference what you think, I'm dying from the effect of a snake bite.

That's about as much as you want to know. A gallon of whisky will save my life. Am I among human beings?" Just then a red-faced man stuck his head into the store, and yelled: "Come on, Bill. Them fellows wouldn't care if you was swallowed by a booycon-

The tongue went back into the mouth, the larva she will never see. The life the evidence of suffering passed away, history of every insect exhibits instincts and the victim took up his hat and and the victim took up his hat and

A New Boston Notion.

The purpose of the "Institute of Heredity" is sufficiently shown in a fourpage circular which has been sent out from Boston. It is intented "to recon struct and establish the foundations of social order upon the natural laws of human life and relations," We are told that "the causes" of a great many social disorders and misfortunes, indeed almost all of them, "are congenital. People who are born with theft and murder i their blood will steal and kill." Further it is insisted that "the public good requires, as essential conditions of its peace, safety and welfare that the citizens of the future shall not come to their social tasks burdened in advance with inherited tendencies to disease or vice or crime; for, on becoming public burdens, such citizens only react the wrong first it held. It was thirty dollars, committed against them." This is suffi-ciently specific. The difficulty in the the instinct to sit upon them? A fowl case is that, adopting the premises and that never before willingly shared a conceding the conclusions, it is one crumb with a companion will now starve | thing to put the remedy for these great | herself to feed her chickens, which she and growing ills upon paper and it is

Two Women Wedded. The Boston Herald prints the follow-

ing strange story from a correspondent | my life ' at Dover, N. H., and it is given for Over \$50,000 was spent in providing a funeral for an eccentric New Yorker who left directions how the money should be supported by the mineral for an eccentric New Yorker with eminent physician of the case what it is worth. The writer vouches for its truthfulness: Ten years ago two the night she was awakened. The room The ceremony was performed in a small town not many miles from this city. They lived together as husband and wife but Antony "got away with" \$735,000,- the amount of the fee. "Fifty dollars," for more than nine years, having resided 000, and Tiberus left the snug little sum | said the impatient medical man. The | in several different places, a part of the | of \$118,000,000, which Caligula squan- patient demurred a little, wherepon the time in this place. A few months ago physician rudely remarked: "Well, what the wife petitioned for a divorce on the money, and she was released. Half sufone year. The late lamented Sothern is do you expect to pay? Give me what ground that her husband was a woman. said to have spent \$100,000 in a year in you have got," and on receiving the \$10 on examination it was found to be as she motionless and bewildered, conscious went down stream on an excursion. The farmer took a farewell look at it and exclaimed: "What are the wild waves having?"

the singer, spent money at the rate of \$40,000 a week. And then there was a Darius and Heliogabalus and Lucullus and—well, this will do for to-day.

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Then she sprang to the door and hurper still more when his patient coolly said: "I did not know before that you had one child.

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Dick! Dick! Dick! Dick! Dick! help! wake up! I'm robbed!"

OUR YOUNG FOLKS, GRANDPATHER SNOW.

BY CATERINE & HALBERG. isther Snow Jame down, one day, And what do you think?

And what do you think?

Delays old as the hills, but his heart is gay.

And over the country he sped away. taluir was as white as a ention ball; And what do you think?
April what do you think? Whitever he went be raised a breeze; And what do you think? And what do you think? Judged to the tops of the tellest trees, all and ulmide as ever you please?

Graught the case and he held on fight;
And what do you think?
And what do you think?
The train had to stop in the read all night,
And couldn't go on till broad day light! od ashe was, he stayed out late!
And what do you think?
And what do you think?
Be sathen the posts of the door, yard gate,
And dinced on the fence at a high old rate!

But the children cheered for Grandfather afili; And what do you think? And what do you think? He spread himself out on the top of a hill, And they all coasted down on his back with

He was none too old for a grand go-bang!
And what do you think?
And what do you think?
To the top of the highest roots he sprang,
And down on the people he slid with a whang! He had no manners, 'tis sed to say!
And what do you think?
And what do you think?
For a clup like him to get in the way,
And trip up people by night and day? But his heart was white and pure within;
Now what do you think?
Now what do you think?
To be glad and folly is never a stn.
For a long-freed Granther I care not a pin.

We some of us know what we should do: Now what do you think? Now what do you think? only came slows for a nonth or two, couldn't stay here the whole year throng

MBS, BRIGGS CLERK.

boy, with a little jacket, the sleeves of which crept half way me his arms, and a hat that was nothing but a brim; and

And the boy came. Before she could "I didn't do it. I ain't so mean." "Didn't do what?" said the old we-

"Break your winder," said the boy, nodding toward a shattered pane. "Why, I broke that myself with my shutter, last night," said the old woman. nees of camphire or whisky. Give The not strong enough to lift om, that's the fact. I'm getting old." "If I'm round when you shut up, I'll

> "I wanted to know what you ate that dry crust of bread out of the gutter for," suid she. "Hungry," said he; "I've tried to get

in and the words "foolin" with a rattle- area over there when it gets too dark for a policeman to see; and you can't have a good night's sleep without some supper, "I'll give you some that's cleaner,"

said the old woman, "That will be begging," said be. "No," said she, "you can sweep the shop and the pavement and put up the shutters for it.

"Very well," said he. "Thankee Accordingly she brought him out a broom, and he did his work well. Afterward he ate his supper with a relish. That night he slept not in the area, but under the old woman's counter. He had told her his story. His name

in prison for life. morning the old woman engaged a clerk for her small establishment. The terms were simple-his "living and a bed un-

der the counter." When the neighbors heard of it, they were shocked. A street boy—a boy no one knew! Did Mrs. Briggs really wish to be murdered in her bed? She had so much time now that she was going to since he had painted signs in red and blue ink to the effect that the real old molasses candy was to be had there, and that this was the place for peanuts. And in the evening, after the shop was shut up, she began to take him into her confidence. Her great dream was to buy herself into a certain home for the aged

It would cost her a hundred dollars. She had saved three years, and had fifteen of there was the doctor and Mrs. Jones' Martha Jane to be paid for minding her and the shop. After this Dick took the greatest interest in the savings, and the

winter months increased them as though he had brought a blessing. One night in spring they took the bag from under the pillow, and counted what "And I'll begin to make kites to-mor-

row, Mrs. Briggs, and you'll see the cus-

tom that it will bring." "You are a clever boy yourself," said the old woman, and pressed his hand. calls by a language she never before used calls by a language she never before used calls by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard—but which they call by a language she never beard—but which they calls by a language she never beard and the state of the calls by a language she never beard and the calls by a language she never beard and the calls by a language she never beard and the calls by a language she never beard and the calls by a language she never beard and the calls by a language she never beard and the calls by a ter, and he were clean, whole garments, though they were very course. "How wrong the neighbors were,"

> persons were united in marriage by a was utterly dark—there was not a ray of Congregational clergyman of this State. light-but she heard a step on the floor, "Who is that?" she cried.

There was no answer, but she felt that some one was leaning over her bed. Then a hand clasped her throat and held her down, and dragged out the bag of focated, she for a moment found herself | the world who imagine that they were | men would perform their tasks with more

! joke; it is a fact.

But there was no answer. The door

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Life at Cambridge, Massachusetts.

course of austerely technical lectures on

Dancing is a rare diversion, excepting

for young girls and undergraduates. A

Methodist preacher, who looked on at a

Cambridge, observed with sectarian hu-

nown appear indifferent as to whether

on this ground, which is generally

thought to be consecrated to fruitful

thoughts and imagination. Meanwhile

whether it ought not to encourage actual

production instead of mere criticism, and

The Remarkable Story Told About

Hartz, the Conjurer.

A singular story is told about Mr.

York Tribune

literary vitality shall continue or ceas

thermo-dynamics

But there was no answer. The door into the street was wide open, and by the moonlight that poured through it she saw, as she peered under the counter, that Dick's bed was empty. The boy was gone.

Gonel gone! Oh, that was worse to poor Granny Briggs than even the loss of the money; for she had trusted him and he had deceived her. She had loved him and he had abused her love. The neighbors were right; she was a loot to trust a strange street-boy, and had been served rightly when he had robbed her. When the dawn broke, the wise neighbors came into poor Granny's shop to find ther crying and rocking to and frozent they told her they had told her so, and she only shook her head. The shop took care it itself that day. Life had lost its in per new her. Her "occupation was." Sh.50 phs not with her savinges Money who had conditioned the condition was shop to had to had condition was shop t

ing by the empty hearth. Good-natured house furnace work well atanded a Mrs. Jones from upstairs was "seeing to things," and trying to cheer her, when auddenly there was a rap on the door, and a policeman looked in. "Mrs. Rriggs," he said.
"Here she is," said Mrs. Jones.

"Some one wants to see you at headquarters," said the policeman. "There's a boy there and some money. "Dick!" cried Mrs. Briggs. can't bear to look at him! But Mrs. Jones had already tied on her bonnet and wrapped her in a shawl, and taken her on her arm. "The wretch!" she said. "I'm so glad

he is caught. You'll get your money And she led Mrs. Briggs along—poor Mrs. Briggs, who cried all the way, and cared nothing for the money. And soon they were at their destination; then, and not before, the policemen turned to the

take him to the hospital in an hour. 1 suppose you are prepared for that. He is nearly heaten to death, you know."

"Did you beat him, you cruel wretch?"

They were watching the sengulls whirl-

"I beat him!" said the man, "Why,

tle tiger. If it's your money, old lady, he's given his life for it, for all I know," Then poor old Mrs. Briggs clapped her hands and cried:

"Oh, Dick! Dick! I knew you were good. I must have been crazy to doubt inspiration, breadth of sympathy and ou," and then she wrung her hands and aims, and all tendency to express sturdily cried: "Oh, Dick! for just a paltry bit strong ideas and sentiments of national of money!" and so she knelt beside the or general human value, are being sacripale face upon the pillow, and kissed it, and celled it tender names.

And Dick, never guessing her suspicions of him, whispered:

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"I was so fraid he'd get off with it if mind in accordance with a higher stand-

he killed me, Granny, and you in such ard than heretofore. But it is a question high hopes last night." He did not know what she meant by begging him to forgive her. It would to stimulate literary growth outside of have fared ill with him if he had, for he class room—Correspondent New have fared ill with him if he had, for he was very near death. But Dick did not die. He got well at

last, and came back to the little shop and though Granny Briggs had her say ings, she never went to the Old Ladies Home; for long before shedied Dick waone of the most prosperous merchants in the city, and his handsome home wa hers, and she was very happy in it.

—Primitive Methodist.

Hartz, the conjurer, which is nearly as strange as some of the tricks he performs. According to the story, he was obliged to give up his business in May, 1877, having lost all power of action. His flesh became soft and flaky, and the The Match Monopoly. least touch gave him exquisite pain. His The most complete monopoly now exsense of hearing became wonderfully isting in the United States, according to acute, and in the room he occupie common report, is the manufacture of friction matches. Some time during last winter, it appears a New England which was on the third floor rear of house in Brooklyn, he could distinctly hear what was being said in the front basement. He could bear no light, but corporation of large means bought every factory then in operation, and it is not known that there is in the country a sinhis memory became so retentive that known that there is in the country a single establishment now engaged in this business except those controlled by that concern. The law taxing the manufac cannon, and he waited with dread for hours beforehand for the report of the ture of matches was ingeniously con sunset and simrise guns on Governor's purpose existed to make the burden as Island. He was not able to swallow alight as possible upon match-makers of | ways, and he says he frequently expected limited means, and thus prevent them to die from that cause. Sometimes many as sixteen days possed without his from being crowded out of the business. In its practical application, how- drinking. He also ate very little, fasting fore, a traveler stops in any place where ever, the law was operated most effectu- on an average ten days at a time. His ally to the advantage of the wealthier sense of taste was entirely gone, and he men in the trade. It permits the pur- is only beginning to recover it. After chase of tax stamps on a credit of sixty had remained awake six months, it oc-days, the buyer giving bonds to secure curred to him that it was strange he take in sewing. Dick attended to the shop altogether. He kept it in fine order, and had increased the business by manufacturers an opportunity to realize the should live without sleep, and he wrote with a pencil an order to his attendant at my chamber door, and some giggling with a pencil an order to his attendant as of some laughing girls outside. It was should live without sleep, and he wrote with a pencil an order to his attendant as of some laughing girls outside. It introducing candies, dates, etc. Pennies the tax by sales before the time at which came in as they never came in before, payment to the Government had to be only a few times. His beard grew to a matter. The landlord had sent his daughmade. But the owners of extensive con-cerns found important advantage in the reached to his shoulders. His recovery ask if I would join in a midnight pilarrangement. The Government credit was more sudden than the attack. One gave them liberty to use their capital in | morning recently strength came to him | shrine of a neighboring saint, in fulfillextending their business and pushing to get up, and an hour later he was able ment of a promise they had made to the their product on the market-a process which is essential in the prosecution of a six footos, was mable to perform. His any successful enterprise in these days. Another and more objectionable feature bles putty or a bursted rubber ball, in of. We walked along some country of the law has operated directly and that it retains for some time a depression roads by starlight, singing songs which so small, and she had been sick, and there was the doctor and Mrs. Jones' means were small. Persons purchasing not more than \$500 worth of stamps at a time are entitled to a discount of 5 per' New York Commercial. cent., while upon larger quantities a dis-Vitiated Air and Intemperance. count of 10 per cent. is allowed. This discrimination, for which there appears to be no other reason than a desire to lesson the labor of internal revenue officers employed in selling stamps, would

> repugnance to it is exhibited in an urgent demand for the total repeal of the match hour, air which has been deprived of its tomatoes.—London Truth. tax, the general belief appearing to be oxygen, and is loaded with poison. Of course, ill-health is general among the that, if this obstruction was removed, workmen, and it is not strange that the persons of moderate means might be enfifty drink shops in the town are well competition in restraining the rapacity of the monoplists.—Chicago Times.
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> There are a great many men born in supported to be wished that employers understood the importance of securing an abundant supply of pure air in their shops and factories. To do so would serve their interests, as the work-

born with genius, and lie down on the vigor and speed. There would also be sofa and wait for an inspiration until less time lost from drunkenness. Smoksome other fellow, who thought himself ing in the work-room should be prohibHUMORS OF THE DAY.

DAMP cellars-bar-tenders. Ice cakes should never be served hot. "GIVE us a song!" is a please-sing re-

Tun highest priced coal is about Le-A MISPLACED switch may ruin a loco-

motive or spoil a boy. What is the prime object of soldiers' drill? To make holes in the enemy. Northing keeps a man from knowledge and wisdom like thinking he has both. A JOURNAL heads an article, "A Lunatic Escapes and Marries a Widow." Escaped, eh? We should say he got

The condition of the Utes is said to be one of discontent. The last lot of paper collars sent them had the button holes

Twos Harry who the silence broke.

"Miss Halo by Hiss a tree?"

Burner, the Harry and Harry and He.

"Oh, no; becames "re woo'd," sile spoke.

"Why are you like a tree," she said.

"I have as heart?" he saked, so low,

Her answer unde the young man red;

"Became you're seppy, don't you know?" "Once more," she asked, "wby are you now A tree?" He couldn't quite perceive. "Trees have sometimes and make a bow, And you can always bow—and leave." —H. C. Dadge, in Whilchalk Times.

small dancing party at a private house in Cambridge, observed with sectarian humor that the young women went through heir quadrilles and waltzes as gravely as ton man to a friend with a swollen jaw. f they were "under conviction." Clubs "It ain't that that makes me look of ladies, or ladies and gentlemen to-gether, are numerous; but they are often that I don't feel it." "How's that?" "Well, I feel so jolly because I have study of languages-German, Italian, just been to the dentist, and he was out," Russian, or even Arabic; and when not formed for this object, they make essay on the sidewalk.—Galveston News.

reading, the study of literature, or ama- A Discussion arose in a coffee-room as ceur acting, their aim. One dramatic to the nationality of a gentleman at the company in especial, embracing members other end of the room. "He is an Enfrom sundry families of the greatest social consequence, has held a brief season head." "He's a Scotchman," said aneach winter, for several years, during which difficult plays are brought out in excellent style, with scenery, mechanism, by his beard." Another thought he "He's pretty bad," he said. "They'll and even music produced and executed looked like a Spaniard. Here the conby amateurs. Tickets are sold only to versation rested, but soon one of them enough, attempts to found a club among They were watching the sengulls whirlsaid Mrs. Briggs. "I would not have professors and instructors in the univer- ing in graceful circles above the waters He was a tall, thin, starved-looking had that done for twice the money. Let sity here always failed, though these of the bay, while the rays of the sinking him go with it, if it is any comfort to gentlemen have their small clubs for the him." sun covered the landscape with a flood of pursuit of specialties in which they are gold. Finally he turned to her, and with interested. Of anything more than a a voice trembling with emotion, asked: "Darling, if we were seagulls would you which she answered, with her gaze fixed

on a far-off mass of castellated clouds: "No, George; I'd let you fly away, and then I'd have all the rest I wanted here." THERE are some very straightforward people in Galveston. One of them came up in the News office yesterday, and sauntering up to the Sifter's desk, asked: "I hear that the bible has been revised, Do you know if many important changes have been made?" "A good many, I believe," "Then there is no mistake about Ananias being struck dead for lying?" "No, I believe not." "Well, if I was you I would find out about it," and he strolled out as unconcernedly as you please .-

Galveston News. A New York boarder asked a diminution of his rent because of the dampness of his house. It was naturally refused, and the boarder gave notice that he would leave. He got even with his landlord by planting a beautiful mushroom in his bed-chamber, and whenever any one came to see the apartment he would call to the servant girl: "Bridget, see here, what is this mushroom doing in this room? It seems to me that I told you to take it away," to which Bridget answers: "I did as you told me, sir, but another must have grown there since." JUDGE CALDWELL, of North Carolina, at one time was obliged to call upon an old darkey to open his court. It was evidently the first time he had acted in the capacity of bailiff. He began: "O, yes! O, yes! O, yes! De hono'ble, de Co't is now on de bench." Then, after hesitating a moment, as if not knowing

what to say, he seemed to hit it, and ended by exclaiming, "An' may de Lawd have mercy on his soul!" Caldwell retorted immediately, "That's right, my man; that's right; if there ever was a Court that needed the mercy of God, it's this one. '- Harper's Magazine. Belgian Hospitality.

The Belgians are the only hospitable

people still remaining in Europe, and think nothing of asking a perfect stranger to join the family circle in a five minutes' acquaintance. If, therea wedding or christening is going on, it generally depends on himself whether he will be one of the guests or not. Not long ago I had gone to bed at a Belgian inn, when I heard a resolute knocking up, much wondering what could be the grimage they were about to make to the to do feats of strength that his attendant, a six footos, was unable to perform. His skin is still tender, and his flesh resembles putty or a bursted rubber ball, in that it retains for some time a degree size of. We walked along some country we wandered out to a picturesque village and ate hot rolls and fresh butter, with A working man writes to the Christian some excellent coffee, As we returned gister concerning the connection of by rail in the early summer morning the bad air and intemperance. He says that whole family seemed to have adopted me working in a large room in a shoe factory, into their connection, and treated me of itself suffice to give the large con- with from fifty to a hundred others, the entirely as one of themselves. The cerns control of the market. With these fumes of tobacco, mingling with the sick. Duchy of Luxembourg is, if possible, advantages, it is understood, the large ening smell of leather, he found it use still more patriarchal in the manners of manufacturers have had another of some less to try to ventilate the room by the its people, and a man I know was invited importance in the ownership of patents employed in making and boxing matches.

| The content of And so it has come about that a single | which prevented its being left open a | was really well received, and that the price which the public must pay for the | night he felt so faint and lifeless that he | Belgium is now by far the cheapest privilege of lighting lamps and kindling longed for a stimulant. Many of the place in Europe, except some of the refires. The thought of such a monopoly men went at once to the nearest saloon, mote parts of Italy: and in Belgium or she said. That boy is the comfort of is annoying to the people, even if the tax when the day's work was ended. The in the Duchy of Luxembourg the fare is it contents itself with for the present is men think it is hard work that makes everywhere excellent, whereas in Italy not particularly burdensome. Popular | them feel so tired, but in reality it is the one may have to live on macaroni and

It Often Occurs. A Newtown young woman went with her father to the railway station to ture, and thus secure the benefits of supported. It is much to be wished that The expected visitor did not arrive, greatly to the disappointment of the young woman, and very much to the surprise of the father, notwithstanding his daughter's letter of invitation was in

THE ancestors of Edgar A. Poe, the a dunce, rises by hard labor to a competency, buys the sofa, and leads the waiting genius out by the ear. This is not a joke; it is a fact.

THE ancestors of Edgar A. Poe, the poet, emigrated, according to Italian accounts, from Italy to England in the sons, but dangerous to all.

his pocket at the time. - Danbury News.